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Attention: Mr. Abhijit Bagde

Subject: Amendment #8 (Formal Amendment) to the FY 2004/05 through 2009/10 Council of Fresno County Governments FTIP

Dear Mr. Bagde:

On July 21, 2005, the Council of Fresno County Governments Policy Board formally adopted Amendment #8 (Formal Amendment) to the *FY 2004/05 through 2009/10 Federal Transportation Improvement Program* (FTIP). Below are the specified changes to the FTIP:

Caltrans, CTIPS ID 203-0000-0374: Incorporation of additional project funding into the State Highway Operation and Protection Program (SHOPP) for a roadway rehabilitation project located on the western portion of State Highway 180. This project is related to the lump sum found in SHOPP project CTIPS ID 203-0000-0280. Funding for this project was placed into right of way phase funding for FFY 05/06 in the total dollar amount of \$661,000. The total dollar amount for FFY 07/08 for preliminary engineering phase funding was \$3,200,000 and construction phase funding was \$10,863,000. Federal Demonstration funds account for \$8,800,000 of the construction phase funds.

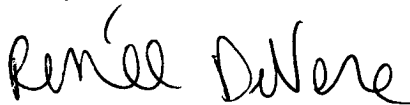
The projects included in this amendment are non-regionally significant. All projects are considered exempt from air quality conformity. The TIP as amended does meet the transportation conformity provisions 40 CFR 93.122(g). The conformity determination used for this amendment was based on the 2005 June Air Quality Conformity Determination covering Fresno County's 2004 Regional Transportation Plan and the 2004 through 2009-10 FTIP. This conformity determination has been approved by Federal Highways. The TIP as amended meets all applicable transportation planning requirements per 23 CFR Part 450 and does not interfere with the timely implementation of any approved TCMs. The TIP as amended has been found to conform to the SIP.

Attached is a copy of the Board's Resolution and amendment for your review and approval. Expenditures Summary Sheets have been included as well as a copy of the annotated staff report for your reference.

We have updated the California Transportation Improvement Program System (CTIPS) to reflect this amendment and have enclosed the appropriate sheets as noted above. If you should have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact myself or Les Beshears at (559) 233-4148. Thank you for your cooperation.

Member Agencies: The cities of Clovis, Coalinga, Firebaugh, Fowler, Fresno, Huron, Kerman, Kingsburg, Mendota, Orange Cove, Parlier, Reedley, San Joaquin, Sanger, Selma & Fresno County

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Renee Devere". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

RENEE DEVERE, Planning Coordinator
Council of Fresno County Governments

Attachments (4 Copies to Caltrans, Division of Programming)

cc:

Dennis Wade, California Air Resources Board
Tom Jordan, SJVUAPCD
Leigh Levine, Federal Highway Administration
Bob O'Loughlin, Federal Highway Administration
Paul Page, Federal Transit Administration
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Marvin Johnson, Caltrans District 06
Executive Directors, Valley COGs
Neil Bretz, Caltrans

Local Highway System

EPA TABLE II or III EXEMPT CATEGORY:
Pavement resurfacing and/or rehabilitation.

***** Version 1 - 07/19/2005 *****
Related to SHOPP project FRE041002

BEFORE THE
COUNCIL OF FRESNO COUNTY GOVERNMENTS
RESOLUTION NO. 2005-34

In the Matter of:)
)
FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION)
IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM)
2004-05 - 2009-10)
_____)

RESOLUTION AMENDING THE
2005-06 FTIP, AMENDMENT #8
(FORMAL AMENDMENT)
AMENDS SHOPP

WHEREAS, the Council of Fresno County Governments (COFCG) is the designated Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA) and the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Fresno County Region; and

WHEREAS, the 2004-05 through 2009-10 Federal Transportation Improvement Program has been prepared to comply with Federal and State requirements for local projects and is consistent with the Regional Transportation Plan; and

WHEREAS, this Amendment (1) Programs new Federal Demonstration Project funds.(2) Programs new funding into the State Highway Operations and Protections Program (SHOPP). (3). Updates Appendices H and I to incorporate new projects and changes to existing projects.

WHEREAS, the Federal Highway Administration has provided guidance that projects submitted in the TIP be demonstrated as reasonable requests when compared to available funding and we can affirm that funding is available; and

WHEREAS, the COFCG process for TIP project selection is currently serving as the MPO's formal Project Selection Process as required under TEA 21 and is consistent with the outlined guidance; and

WHEREAS, this Amendment has been through a public participation process by being circulated and reviewed by the Council of Fresno County Governments' member agencies representing their technical and management staffs; representatives of other governmental agencies, including State and Federal; representatives of special interest groups; representatives of the private business sector; and residents of Fresno County; and

WHEREAS, the project contained in this amendment does not require a re-determination of the air quality conformity analysis.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of Fresno County Governments hereby amends the 2004-05 through 2009-10 Federal Transportation Improvement Program reflecting the projects shown in the attached exhibit.

THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION was passed and adopted by the Council of Fresno County Governments this 21st day of July, 2005.

AYES: Clovis, Coalinga, Fowler, Fresno, Huron, Kerman, Kingsburg, Mendota, Orange Cove, Parlier, Reedley, San Joaquin, Selma & Fresno County

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

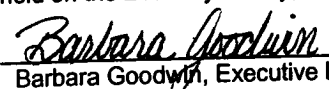
ABSENT: Firebaugh and Sanger

ATTEST:

Signed:


Trinidad M. Rodriguez, Chairman

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a resolution of the Council of Fresno County Governments duly adopted at a regular meeting thereof held on the 21st day of July, 2005.

Signed: 
Barbara Goodwin, Executive Director

FEDERAL TIP REVENUE SOURCES

AVAILABLE REVENUES BY PROGRAM SOURCE	(\$ shown are in thousands)							TOTAL
	[Triennial Element]							
	04-05	05-06	06-07	07-08	08-09	09-10		
Bridge Replacement (Federal)	4,092.0	980.0	409.0	16,802.0			22,283.0	
CA 217- Section 378 (Federal)				8,800.0			8,800.0	
Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (Federal)	10,319.0	9,456.0	9,645.0	9,838.0	10,025.0		49,283.0	
Note: 2004-05 through 2009-010 fund estimates are projected.								
Federal Lands Program (Federal)	6,450.0						6,450.0	
Recreational Trails (Federal)	0.0							
Regional Surface Transportation Program (Federal)	8,342.0	8,509.0	8,679.0	8,853.0	9,021.0		43,404.0	
Note: 2004-05 through 2009-010 fund estimates are projected.								
Surface Transportation - Emergency Repair (Federal)	40.0	40.0	40.0				120.0	
Surface Transportation - Hazard Elimination (Federal)	788.7						788.7	
Surface Transportation - 130 R/R Grade Crossing (Federal)	1,715.0	1,013.0					2,728.0	
Note: 2004-05 through 2009-010 fund estimates are projected.								
FTA Section 5307 (Federal)	10,504.5	11,198.7	9,976.3	10,695.7			42,375.2	
FTA Section 5309 (Federal)	1,815.1							
FTA Section 5310 (Federal)	0.0							
FTA Section 5311 (Federal)	422.4						422.4	
Federal SubTotal	44,488.7	31,196.7	28,749.3	54,988.7	19,046.0		176,654.3	
Emergency Repair Program (State Program)	10.0	10.0	10.0				30.0	
Highway Operation & Protection (State Program)	6,035.0	4,269.0		5,263.0			15,567.0	
Minor Programs (State Program)	841.0						841.0	
STIP - Regional Choice (State Program)	1,863.0	7,610.0	6,425.0				15,898.0	
STIP - Regional TEA (State Program)	2,391.0	1,276.0	1,042.0	1,587.0	1,354.0		7,650.0	
STIP - Interregional Program (State Program)	0.0	54,422.0					54,422.0	
STIP - Interregional TEA (State Program)	10.0	1,867.0	30.0				1,907.0	
Regional TEA (STPE-L)	882.2							
Other State Match (State Program)	1,386.0	721.6					2,107.6	
Note: Many programs noted as "State Prg." have federal dollars mixed with state dollars (See CTIPS)								
State SubTotal	13,418.2	70,175.6	7,507.0	6,850.0	1,354.0		98,422.6	
Other Locally Committed Revenues (Varied Local)	13,556.4	4,488.6	3,170.6	2,673.9			23,889.5	
Measure "C" Program (Local Sales Tax)	21,265.0	22,263.0	74,546.0				118,074.0	
Local SubTotal	34,821.4	26,751.6	77,716.6	2,673.9			141,963.5	
TOTAL REVENUES	92,728.3	128,123.9	113,972.9	64,512.6	20,400.0		417,040.4	

FEDERAL TIP EXPENDITURES

FUNDS PROGRAMMED (EXPENDITURES)	(\$ shown are in thousands)						TOTAL
	[Triennial Element]						
	04-05	05-06	06-07	07-08	08-09	09-10	
Bridge Replacement (Federal)	4,092.0	980.0	409.0	16,802.0			22,283.0
Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (Federal)	10,319.0	9,456.0	9,645.0	6,817.3			36,237.3
Federal Lands Program (Federal)	6,450.0						6,450.0
Recreation Trails (Federal)	0.0						
Regional Surface Transportation Program (Federal)	8,342.0	8,509.0	8,675.7				25,526.7
Surface Transportation - Emergency Repair (Federal)	40.0	40.0	40.0				120.0
Surface Transportation - Hazard Elimination (Federal)	788.7						788.7
Surface Transportation - 130 R/R Grade Crossing (Federal)	1,715.0	1,013.0					2,728.0
FTA Section 5307 (Federal)	10,504.5	11,198.7	9,976.3	10,695.7			42,375.2
FTA Section 5309 (Federal)	1,815.1						
FTA Section 5310 (Federal)	0.0						
FTA Section 5311 (Federal)	422.4						422.4
	Federal SubTotal	44,488.7	31,196.7	28,746.0	34,315.0		136,931.3
Emergency Repair Program (State Program)	10.0	10.0	10.0				30.0
Highway Operation & Protection (State Program)	6,035.0	4,269.0		14,063.0			24,367.0
Minor Programs (State Program)	841.0						841.0
STIP - Regional Choice (State Program)	114.0	5,836.0	1,615.0	115.0	404.0		8,084.0
STIP - Regional TEA (State Program)		1,945.4	2,163.3				4,108.7
STIP - Interregional Program (State Program)	0.0	1,500.0		9,923.0	1,158.0		12,581.0
STIP - Interregional TEA (State Program)	10.0	1,867.0	30.0				1,907.0
Regional TEA (STPE-L)	882.2						
Other State Match (State Program)	1,386.0	721.6					2,107.6
Note: Many programs noted as "State Prg." have federal dollars mixed with state dollars (See CTIPS)							
	State SubTotal	9,278.2	16,149.0	3,818.3	24,101.0	1,562.0	54,026.3
Other Locally Committed Revenues (Varied Local)	13,556.4	4,488.6	3,170.6	2,673.9			23,889.5
Measure "C" Program (Local Sales Tax)	21,265.0	22,263.0	74,546.0				118,074.0
	Local SubTotal	34,821.4	26,751.6	77,716.6	2,673.9		141,963.5
TOTAL PROGRAMMED		88,588.3	74,097.3	110,280.9	61,089.9	1,562.0	332,921.1

III. TRANSPORTATION ACTION / DISCUSSION ITEMS

→ A. CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING: Formal Amendment No. 8 to the 2004-05 thru 2009-10 Federal Transportation Improvement Program, Resolution 2005-34

Summary: Formal amendment No. 08 follows the recommendation of the Department of Transportation to incorporate part of a \$35 million of Federal Demonstration fund project into the 2004-05 through 2009-10 Federal Transportation Improvement Program. The \$8.8 million encumbered will be placed into the State Highway Operations and Protection Program (SHOPP) for the roadway rehabilitation project on Route 180, a project that is necessary to rehabilitate the roadway and raise the grade to prevent flooding. This formal amendment will be considered final pending receipt of an agency designation letter from Senator Jim Costa. The money incorporated into this preexisting project will be placed under construction phase funding for FFY 2007/08. [DEVERE]

Action: Staff recommends approval of Formal Amendment No. 08 by approval of Resolution 2005-34.

B. AB1012 - Loan Agreements between Regions

Summary: Caltrans newly developed process for tracking obligational authority includes a loan process that is simple and transparent. Regions can loan and borrow each other's obligational authority "by wire", by shifting apportionments/OA from one account to the other in the agreed upon Fiscal Year's with a brief Memorandum of Understanding between the agencies. Sacramento COG has voiced an interest in borrowing up to \$8 million through such an arrangement. We still have commitments from our members to expend our estimated remaining \$12 million in current year obligation authority this year, but due to the complexity and timing that is involved in the process, we don't know if it is going to be possible to achieve our goal. Rather than leave unspent obligational authority on the table we may prefer to loan some of it to Sacramento or another willing regional entity and this would give us a larger target for next year when the loan is repaid. Conversely, if everyone delivers as promised we may be in the market to borrow someone else's obligational authority to expedite projects. However, the schedule of the process would prevent us from requesting formal board authorization to make the loan when it became urgent. Therefore, we are requesting authorization to borrow or loan excess obligational authority to other regions should it become necessary to maximize the program. This only works if there is another region able to spend the money. [BESHEARS]

Action: COG Staff recommends that the Committee grant the Policy Board Chairman and Executive Director authority to enter into agreements to loan or borrow federal obligation authority with other regions to maximize the federal aid program, if it becomes apparent that the Fresno region will lose funds if a loan is not executed.

C. Status Report--Signal Synchronization, Fresno-Clovis Metropolitan Area

Summary: The City of Fresno has been requested to provide a status report on the signal synchronization program that is currently underway. City of Fresno staff will be making a presentation to the Board. [BOREN]

Action: Information/discussion item. Direction may be provided at the discretion of the Board.